CAROLYN BRICKEY

Biographical Information

Since moving with her family to Tucson from Washington, D.C. in 1992, Ms. Brickey has established an independent consultancy in environmental law and policy. For six years Ms. Brickey has directed The National Campaign for Pesticide Policy Reform which helped to spearhead the enactment of the "Food Quality Protection Act of 1996", a new law designed to protect children from exposure to harmful pesticides. Previously, Ms. Brickey directed "Reducing Pesticide Risk," a project funded by the W. Alton Jones Foundation; and served as principal investigator of a Tides Foundation-sponsored grant to help resolve provisions of the Southern Arizona Water Rights Settlement Act affecting the Tohono O'odham Nation. In another effort, she is working with Arizona's Special Master for Water as Project Administrator of "Dividing the Waters: A Dialog for Judges and Masters", a Hewlett Foundation project designed to further the resolution of general stream adjudications in the western United States. She was previously employed part-time at Columbia University's Biosphere 2 Center in development and planned giving. Of special expertise and experience are governmental policy-making in water, environmental toxins, food safety, drug law, and the regulatory process. Ms. Brickey is currently serving on the EPA Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee and was just appointed to the USDA Advisory Committee on Agricultural Biotechnology.

Ms. Brickey served as Senior Counsel to the Chairman of the U.S. Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee until May, 1992. In that capacity she specialized in environmental issues and managed legal and policy strategy for Chairman Patrick Leahy. She helped draft the 1990 Farm Bill, and was the lead drafter of the pioneering Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act of 1988. During that time she developed an expertise in ground and surface water quality issues. Prior to her work for the Senate, Ms. Brickey represented the State of Texas in Washington, D.C., on agriculture, environment and trade issues (1983-87), and was staff attorney and legislative representative for the Food Research and Action Center (1981-83), and Public Citizen's Congress Watch (1979-81). She obtained her law degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1979.